HERITAGE COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING TOWN OF LITCHFIELD

Held on December 8, 2020

minutes approved on January-12-2021

In response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Heritage Commission held a remote meeting pursuant to Governor Sununu's Order #12 related to public meetings. The Litchfield Heritage Commission held a remote meeting via Webex on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karl Franck – Chairman, Kimberly Queenan - Vice-Chairman, Rich Lascelles – Selectmen's Rep., Steven Calawa, Harry Menzigian.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: None

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Karl Franck called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Steven C. made a MOTION to approve the November-10-2020 Meeting Minutes. It was seconded by Rich L. **Motion passes (5,0,0).**

- 2. Public Input: None
- 3. Requests from members to add or delete Agenda Items: None
- 4. New Demolition Applications: None
- 5. Continuing Discussion of Previous Business:
 - a. Demolition Request at 16 Colby Road, Litchfield, NH.
 - Photos were already taken of the property.

- Since our last meeting, the owner has not demolished the building yet, however plans to shortly.
- Owners have 6 months to complete demolition, based on the demolition permit approval date. If demolition not done within 6 months, the owner will have to get a new demolition permit from the town's Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer.

b. Old Ferry Site - Rt 3A, Litchfield, NH.

Steven C. reported that NH State Archeologists visited the Old Ferry Site.
He said the NH Archeologists were familiar with the history of the site. They
walked the site, the muster grounds, and the old cemetery area. A new
foundation/cellar hole was also found.

The NH Archeologists proposed that the Town of Litchfield should contract with them to do a survey of this area. Between what the NH Archeologists have seen and the archive research they have already done, the price of the survey should be less than the earlier quote they provided. Steven C. will speak with the Town Administrator, and put a proposal together to review, which will contain more specifics.

The NH Archeologists said they thought Litchfield did a good job clearing the site and not disturbing it.

• Harry M. asked if there would be any digging in this area. The answer is "NO", since the NH Archeologists think they know where things are based on the topography of the site.

6. New Business: None

7. Other Business:

a. Dar-Col Stables & Other Property In That Area:

- Dar-Col Stables was sold to a developer (39 acres). Harry M. stated that the owner had earlier spoken to the Conservation Commission about the land near the river.
- A gas station may be going into the area next to Moore's Falls.
- A piece of land, located near Small Tube, has been on the market for a while.
- The LKQ building appears to have been sold.

b. Rt. 3A – Pennichuck Water update:

- All outside water pipe digging appears done. Only internal hookups into some homes are left to do.
- Rich L. said that Pennichuck just put in for a rate increase. He said a Citizen's Group may be forming to fight the rate increase.

c. Light Display around the Town Hall:

• Harry M. stated the light display was impressive.

Steven C. made a MOTION to adjourn, seconded by Harry M. **Motion carries (5,0,0).** Meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kimberly Queenan – Vice-Chairman